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Honorable Michael K. Powell,
Chairman FCC.

Dear Sir:

If the proposed "Broadcast
Ownership rules," are adopted
independent voices in cities
across the Nation could be
snuffed out by huge
media corporations.

I am asking you to
please not change these
rules.

Respectfully yours,
James M. McClung, Sr.

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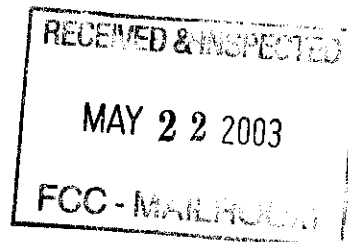
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RE: Docket No. 02-277 Don't abandon media safeguards!

Dear FCC Commissioners,

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Eliminating these last remaining protections of the public trust would constitute a complete abandonment of the FCC's mission to ensure that our airwaves, which are owned by all Americans, are used in a manner which ensures the diverse range of voices and opinions needed in a healthy democracy. Loss of these protections would constitute a huge and unacceptable giveaway of public resources and political power to a few large and powerful media companies.

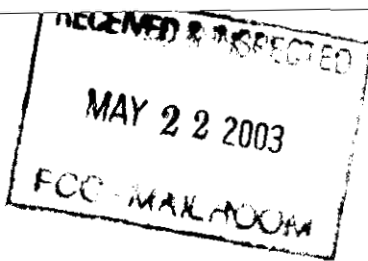
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As an American concerned about our democracy, I urge you to reject the current proposal to abandon the last remaining controls on media consolidation. Instead, I strongly urge you to break up the media conglomerates, to open the spectrum to a wide diversity of organizations and independent journalists, and to reinstate the Fairness Doctrine.

Most sincerely,

Jack E. Lewi, MD

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jack E. Lewi, MD", written over a faint circular stamp.



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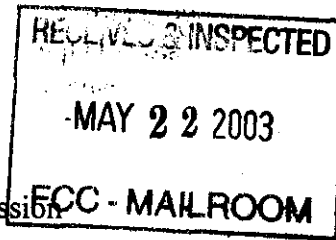
The proposed relaxation of broadcast ownership rules would further concentrate control of news and information into the hands of a very limited group -

Public TV and radio information is already concentrated in a significant way in a certain ideological and political philosophy.

Permitting further concentration of information sources would seriously undermine the ability of the American people to secure the freedoms which the Constitution insures.

Instead of relaxing broadcast ownership rules, they should be strengthened to protect the public's right to know!

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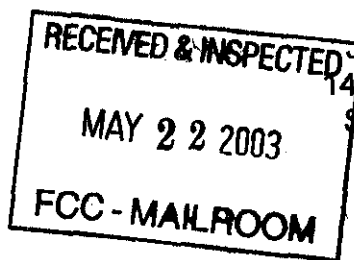
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May 13, 2003

The Honorable Kevin J. Martin
Commissioner
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Dear Mr. Martin:

I urge you not to relax the broadcast ownership rules that protect American citizens from media monopolies.

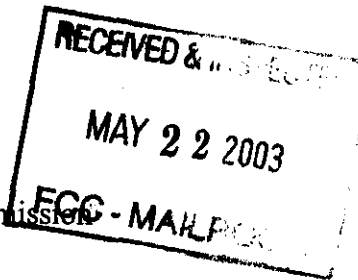
Several years ago I personally saw NPR radio take Cal Thomas off the air because his conservative views did not **align** with NPR Radio views. NPR actually said this on the air when we tuned in to hear Mr. Thomas. Many of the media corporations that are now lobbying the FCC to relax these ownership rules already have a known track record in attempting to keep opposing viewpoints off the air.

Therefore, I urge you to **continue the broadcast ownership protections that have helped to ensure a healthy debate in our country.**

Sincerely,

Judith J. Duda

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